GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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Issue of Degree to Students
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the University Grants Commission has directed all the universities to issue degrees to the students within six months of the student qualifying for the degree;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Ministry received any representation against the universities who have failed to award the degree within the specified time period; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(Dr. MAHENDRA NATH PANDEY)

(a) to (d): The University Grants Commission (UGC) receives representations and references from different stakeholders in higher education regarding the issue of delay in award of degrees to the students by some universities. Acting on such representations and references, the UGC, vide its instruction letter dated 19th May, 2016, has reiterated Para. 4.4 of UGC (Grants of Degrees and other Awards by Universities) regulations, 2008 which mandates that the degrees should be issued to the students within 180 days of the date by which these students are expected to qualify and become eligible for such degrees and requested the Vice- Chancellors of all the Universities, to comply with such mandatory provision.